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Hogeye Stroll

Elgin, Texas. - The Sausage Capital of Texas kicks off the Hogeye Festival weekend with the Hogeye Stroll Thursday, October 20, from 5 to 9 with the Hogalicious Dessert Contest, the Pearls Before Swine Art Show, store specials and refreshments. The Pearls Before Swine Art Show features artists from Central Texas in all mediums. The opening gala is Thursday evening and attendees share their votes to select The Hogeye Pearl or People's Choice winner for the show. The show will be at 32 North Main Street through Saturday October 22. The Hogalicious Dessert Contest will be at Firewild, located at 201 North Main Street with categories in pies and cakes for youth, adults, and commercial bakers – this is an evening of creativity displayed through sugar, eggs, butter and milk. You'll be amazed at the beauty of the entries and to go boxes with a sampling of desserts will be available for a donation. Downtown business will be open late with refreshments, store specials, tastings, live music and more. Enjoy an evening of fun, look for the Sowpremes and kick off Hogeye Festival weekend in style!

The Hogeye Festival is sponsored by the Elgin Main Street Board, an organization supporting downtown revitalization, the City of Elgin, and is underwritten by area businesses. Proceeds from the festival go toward downtown improvement projects ranging from new sidewalks to beautification. The free festival Saturday October 22 features live music and entertainment on two stages, handmade arts and crafts, children's activities, a children's costume pet parade, a carnival, Road Hog Car Show, BBQ Pork Cook-Off, Vintage Farm Equipment display, Cow Patty Bingo, the Pearls Before Swine Art Show, and great festive food! Free Hogeye Street Dance with Kenny Orts and No Chance is Friday October 21. Elgin is a Texas Main Street City and has been recognized by the National Trust for Historic Preservation as a National Main Street Community since 1999. Over the past 35 years more than \$23 million has been reinvested in Elgin's downtown district. For Festival Weekend information: www.hogeyefestival.com or Facebook Hogeye Festival and Instagram VisitElginTx

<u>About</u> 30 minutes east of Austin at the gateway to Central Texas, Elgin is an affordable, business-friendly community with historic roots and progressive leadership. Long known for its famous hot sausage, Elgin has a budding farm-to-table industry where food is grown and processed locally. Elgin also offers great opportunities for businesses seeking a talented workforce, a revitalized downtown district, and locations near highways and rail for accessibility and distribution throughout Central Texas and beyond. For more information, visit www.elgintexas.gov

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